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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

In re application of:

Group Art Unit No.: 2152

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Examiner: B. Prieto

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For: DETERMINING THE PARTICIPANTS IN A
DISTRIBUTED OPERATION

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed September 23, 2002, the shortened statutory period for which runs until December 23, 2002. A fee to extend the period for reply is hereby submitted. Please amend the application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1 and 11 as follows.

1. (Amended) A method of determining participants of a distributed operation in a distributed system, the method comprising the steps of:
registering in a name service participant data that identifies a plurality of participants that
are participating in said distributed operation;
wherein said distributed operation is a unit of work involving said plurality of
participants;

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